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January 6th, 1919

Mrs. G. R. Burnham,

128 Bloor Street West,

Toronto.

Dear Mrs. Burnham:

I have to thank you for the copy of the "Canadian Churchman" with the article on "The Prussian Spirit" which I have read with a great deal of interest. It is a terrible indictment, but I doubt not it is practically correct, and the unfortunate part of it all is that it does not seem possible to get at the people who acted absolutes.

I am returning you the copy of the paper, and with kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

March 4th, 1919

Dr. G. E. Burnham,

128 Bloor Street West, Toronto.

Dear Dr. Burnham:

The Committee on the memorial for the returned men have not confined their proposal by any means to the quinces. That is only one incident and may or may not be carried. The essential part of the memorial is pretty much as you yourself have suggested, that there should be some room open always to the students in which the names, especially of those who have fallen, shall be placed on tablets which will stand for all time in this University and form a tradition for the future. In addition to the proposals that are being considered at the present time, the most popular proposal is that there should be an archway and tower with screens from the Hart House across to the campus which would altogether make a very dignified and fitting memorial. I myself am inclined, however, to think that if any emblems whatever are put within the memorial they should refer rather to the virtues of our own men than to the vices of our enemies. But emblematic carving is so doubtful in its results and also is expensive so that probably there will not be a great deal of it. We wish to have the memorial plain, beautiful, and suggestive. A great deal of thought has been placed upon it, and I hope that as the result

of combined deliberation something worthy will be the result.

I am forwarding your letter to the Secretary of the Committee.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.